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In re the Application of:  KAZU NOZATO  Serial No.: U.S. Nat'l. Phase of PCT/JP2004/006636  Filed: SEPTEMBER 22, 2005  For: BALL THROWING MACHINE	ATTN. APPLICATION BRANCH
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION FILING**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Any fee not covered by a check accompanying this paper and necessary for consideration of this Preliminary Amendment response may be charged to Deposit Account Number 03-3975.

**Amendments to the Specification: None.**

**Amendments to the Claims:** reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings: None**

**Remarks:** begin on page 4 of this paper.